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Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) OR THIRTY (30) DAYS, WHICHEVER IS LONGER, FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on 12 January 2009.

2a) This action is **FINAL**. 2b) This action is non-final.

3) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

4) Claim(s) 1,5,9,11 and 26-29 is/are pending in the application.

4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.

5) Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.

6) Claim(s) 1,5,9,11 and 26-29 is/are rejected.

7) Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.

8) Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner.

10) The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) accepted or b) objected to by the Examiner.

Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).

Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).

11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).

a) All b) Some * c) None of:

1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

1) Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)

2) Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)

3) Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date _____.

4) Interview Summary (PTO-413)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____.

5) Notice of Informal Patent Application

6) Other: _____.

DETAILED ACTION***Response to Argument***

Applicant's arguments with respect to claim 1, 5, 9, 11 and 26-29 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

Claim 1, 5, 9, 11 and 26-29 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Kobayashi (US 7,149,408).

Regarding Claim 1: Kobayashi disclose an apparatus for controlling image display comprising: a determining unit configured to determine whether or not material data is combined with frame rate information as associated information (**column 2 lines 4-16**); and a controller configured to control image display to display material data along a time axis in a reproduction order in a frame image representation region, wherein when material information is combined with the frame rate information, the frame image representation region having a width that is altered according to a reproduction time calculated based on a reproduction

speed (**column 4 lines 53-60 and columns 8 lines 43-52**), and when material information is not combined with the frame rate information, the width of the frame rate image region is not altered (**column 3 lines 32-42**).

Regarding Claim 5: Kobayashi disclose an apparatus according to claim 1, wherein controller sets a speed range available for reproduction on said material data based on said associated information, and controller controls the image display to display set speed range (**column 4 lines 17-26**).

Regarding Claim 9: Kobayashi disclose an apparatus according to claim 5, wherein controller controls image display to display an indication for indicating the reproduction speed (**column 8 lines 26-43**).

Regarding Claim 11: Kobayashi disclose an apparatus according to claim 5, wherein controller controls the image display to display set speed range with an indication for indicating the reproduction speed (**column 8 lines 26-43**); wherein indication varies in Synchronization with alteration according to an operation for altering indicated width of material data in frame image representation region (**column 8 lines 43-47**); and wherein indicated width of frame image representation region varies in synchronization with alteration according to an operation for adjusting the indication(**column 8 lines 43-52**).

Regarding Claim 26: Kobayashi disclose an apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said indicated width of the frame image representation region becomes longer when the reproduction speed of said data materials is altered to be slower, while said indicated width of the frame image representation region

becomes shorter when the reproduction speed of said data materials is altered to be faster (**column 8 lines 26-42**).

Regarding Claim 27: Kobayashi disclose an apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the reproduction speed of data materials becomes slower when indicated width of the frame image representation region is altered to be enlarged, while the reproduction speed of data materials becomes faster when indicated width of the frame image representation region is altered to be shortened (**column 8 lines 26-42**).

Regarding Claims 28-29: Claims 28-29 are rejected for the same subject matter as claim 1.

THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL. Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of this final action.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to DANIEL TEKLE whose telephone number is

(571)270-1117. The examiner can normally be reached on 7:30am to 5:00pm M-R and 7:30-4:00 Every other Friday..

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Marsha D. Banks-Harold can be reached on 571-272-7905. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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